



Week ending June 22, 2007

Mayor, Members of the City Council, and the Community Members:

## **CITYWIDE WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS REPORT**

The *Citywide Weekly Report* highlights various activities throughout the City for the week. Consistent with our mission to ensure equal access to opportunity, education, and quality of life for every man, woman and child regardless of their race, religion, age or socio-economic status, this report will work to organize our weekly achievements so that we can measure and maximize our management and performance toward reaching our goals. It is our intent that this report will help to improve communications about the programs and services provided to both the City Council and the community.

Please contact the Public Affairs Department at 559-621-7777 with any questions.

## **WEEKLY NEWS**

### ***KEY RESULT AREA: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT***

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#### **Economic Development**

- The Fresno Film & Entertainment Commission (FFEC) is the newest film commission to become a member of the Association of Film Commissions International (AFCI). The AFCI has 300 film commission members worldwide, and is the official professional organization for film commissioners who assist film, television and video production throughout the world. For more information, visit [www.fresnofilm.com](http://www.fresnofilm.com) or e-mail the Ray Arthur at [ray.arthur@fresno.gov](mailto:ray.arthur@fresno.gov) or call 559 621.8358.
  - Economic Development Department staff were featured speakers at the June 20 Central California Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Amigo Luncheon attended by 40 people. For more information about topics discussed at the luncheon go to [www.fresnoez.com](http://www.fresnoez.com) or Economic Development Department at [economic.development@fresno.gov](mailto:economic.development@fresno.gov) or call 559 621-8350.
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## ***KEY RESULT AREA: CUSTOMER SERVICE***

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### **Housing**

- The Housing and Community Development Division conducted a Community Town Hall Meeting on Universal Design On June 21, 2007. The meeting is intended to educate the public about Universal Design and receive input regarding the City's proposal to require Universal Design on City funded housing developments.

### **Parks, Recreation and Community Service**

- The Senior Hot Meals Program Advisory Board hosted a Town Hall meeting at TCW for 133 seniors.
- Disaster Relief at Ted C. Wills - Assisted the Red Cross on Tuesday, June 12, 2007 and sheltered approximately 36 residents that were displaced by a fire and power outage.
- The summer BEST Program (which is designed to provide enhanced computer training, financial literacy, business skills, field trips and job shadowing for Fresno high schoolers) started on Wednesday, June 13, 2007.

### **Transportation**

- FAX is participating in the Energy & Clean Air Business Exposition sponsored by the Greater Fresno Area Chamber of Commerce, Regional Job Initiative (RJI), and Valley CAN (Clean Air Now) at the Fresno Convention Center

### **Airports**

- Two new Passenger Loading Bridges were installed this week at the Airport Concourse. The new bridges will facilitate additional flights and enhance customer convenience by providing direct access to aircraft.

### **Public Utilities**

- Over 70 children attended the Woodward Park Activity area to learn about water in a fun way by making an aquifer from ice cream, planting flowers to take home, and many other entertaining activities.
- Recycling Team member Luis Pannanarle with his amazing photo documentation, has put Fresno Unified well on its way to becoming the first school in the state of California to be a Zerowaste School.

### **Public Works**

- Fresno was awarded two grants to implement significant traffic safety improvements. The program will help fund Left-turn Phasing upgrades at Clinton Avenue and West Avenue. In addition, the program will fund the removal of the Valley Gutter at the intersection of Cedar Avenue and Barstow Avenue adjacent to the Fresno State University campus.
- Median Islands
  - Cleaned 4 million sq. ft. of landscaping which equates to 93 acres
  - Sprayed 1.8 million sq. ft. of landscaping
  - Irrigation Repairs hours: 422 hours